

# Summary of Civil Service Law

## Section 85 Definition of Veteran

### Eligibility

Veterans eligible for the performance are those who:

- a) were members of the Armed Forces of the United States;
- b) served on active duty for other than training purposes in **time of war**<sup>1</sup>;
- c) were discharged honorably or released under honorable circumstances;
- d) are residents of New York State; and
- e) have documented their eligibility by submitting Form DD214 (NAVPERS-553 / NAVMC – 78 PD / WDAG) - 53, 98) and for service in Lebanon, Grenada, or Panama, the award of an appropriate expeditionary medal.

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<sup>1</sup>**Time of war** includes the following wars and hostilities:

Persian Gulf Conflict	August 2, 1990 – the date upon which such hostilities end (includes the Global War on Terrorism)
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*Hostilities in Panama	December 20, 1989 – January 31, 1990
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*Hostilities in Lebanon	June 1, 1983 – December 1, 1987
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*Hostilities in Grenada	October 23, 1983 – November 21, 1983
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[\* Services during these periods is qualifying only if the veteran received the armed forces, navy, or Marine Corps expeditionary medal.]

Viet Nam Conflict	December 22, 1961 – May 7, 1975
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Korean Conflict	June 27, 1950 – January 31, 1955
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Service in the commissioned corps of the US Public Health Service:

June 29, 1945 – September 2, 1945 **or**

June 26, 1950 – July 3, 1952

World War II	December 7, 1941 – December 31, 1946
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World War I	April 6, 1917 – November 11, 1918
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